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**OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING AND REMEMBERING JAMES  
PLOSS FOR HIS MANY, MANY YEARS OF DEVOTED AND  
DEDICATED SERVICE TO HIS COMMUNITY AND THE CITY OF  
OAKLAND**

**WHEREAS**, Community activist James Ploss died peacefully on the morning of Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, When his cancer was originally diagnosed, he was given six months to live, but lived twelve more years, putting every day to good use; and

**WHEREAS**, Jim Ploss was a longtime member of the Steering Committee of the Piedmont Avenue Neighborhood Improvement League (PANIL), was a founding member of the Piedmont Avenue Neighborhood School Association (PANSA), and served as a member of the North Oakland Community Development Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his years and countless hours of volunteer community service, Jim Ploss was known for his good humor, boundless energy, positive can-do attitude and genuine love and affection for his neighborhood, his neighbors and the entire City of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, His personal commitment to his community was extraordinary even among Oakland's many neighborhood activists. He worked on everything from gaining signatures on petitions, to collecting cans of food for food drives, from designing PANIL's website to coordinating Piedmont Avenue's Halloween Parade. He even arranged his work schedule to allow him to volunteer at Piedmont Avenue Elementary School one day per week; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Oakland hereby expresses appreciation and admiration for Jim Ploss' wonderful life of work and service to the people of the City of Oakland, and joins his family and many, many friends in honoring his memory. Jim is a shining example of what we all can be in service to our community. He will be sorely missed.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 2006

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

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NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
of the City of Oakland, California